

# The Pillars of Excellence

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# The Canterbury Academy Trust

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# News and Events Academic

## Coming up

**Year 7**  
**Kent Literacy**  
**Outreach Project**  
Starts 14<sup>th</sup> January

**Maths**  
**Enrichment Week**  
21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> January

**Year 10**  
**Visit to Kent University**  
**to participate in**  
**Slam Poetry**  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

**Brexit debate - TBC**

## STEM - Science in a Day

The first Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths week was held at the Academy with over 150 students involved in three year groups. The aim is to enthuse and introduce students to areas related to science that have been historically neglected in the school curriculum.

**Year 9** - Science in a day - this was an intense day led by Pfizer who worked with the pupils on areas related to Bio-science modelling and disease identification. Students were tasked with looking at particular medical problems and coming up with practical solutions to their prevention and diagnosis.

**Year 8** - Flood prevention - this was a very practical and hands-on day for the Year 8s who were tasked by the Environmental Agency to develop a response to flood damage. The students worked in small groups designing and then constructing flood protection material. The school's STEM coordinator, Mr Pout, commented on the days' work: '**it was great to see such a variety of practical and well thought out designs with the environment and communities in mind.**'

**Year 7** - Paper toys- Led by Mr Pout, this half day event involved a lot of waste paper and modelling. The focus was designing everyday objects out of paper. The highlight of the day was the groups' production of chairs that are strong enough to be used in everyday situations. Watch this space to see the photo of Mr Watson sitting comfortably!

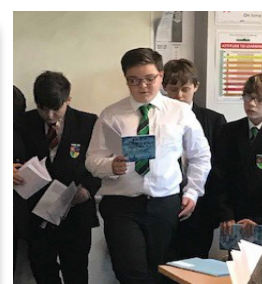
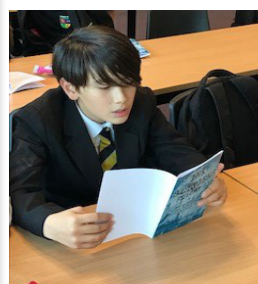
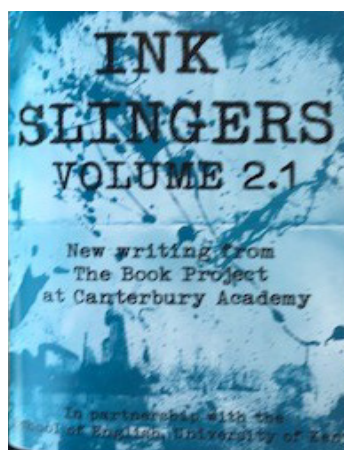


## Year 8s get published!

As part of the school's ongoing promotion of reading and the love of writing sixty of our Year 8 students completed a literacy project with Kent University. This involved an intensive six week programme around what makes a good narrative. Each group worked on creativity, language use and what grips a reader to produce their own story. The highlight was on November 5<sup>th</sup> when the published stories were shared with the school. Commenting on the programme and the attitude of the Year 8 pupils, one of the Kent University ambassadors said '**I love working in this school. The students are so enthusiastic and keen to get involved. When can we come back in?**'

## Our literacy programme continues

in term three with a Year 7 writing project, author workshops and visits to Waterstones to purchase books. It took JK Rowling twenty five attempts to get the Harry Potter books accepted, so keep up the writing Year 7.



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## Educational Visits

As a school we understand the importance of learning both in and out of the classroom. On a weekly basis we offer educational visits in all the pillars areas. This is important for a number of reasons; it allows students to link their subject to the real world, inspires and stretches the students' imagination and exposes students to new learning opportunities. Below is coverage of one exciting trip to illustrate our commitment to learning and to students testing themselves in a new and demanding environment.

### Poland History trip - Year 13

In the last week of term one the history department led a joint trip of thirty sixth formers from the Academy and Simon Langton Grammar School for Boys to Krakow in Poland. The focus was to gain a better understanding of the history of the Holocaust during the Second World War. Over a four day period the students visited the Jewish district in Krakow, where they saw the redevelopment of the religious and cultural community (there are now over seven synagogues being used again), participated in a workshop about tolerance and modern racism and visited the extermination camps of Auschwitz and Birkenau. In particular, the visit to the camps was both a very upsetting and rewarding experience. Students came away understanding the importance of these historical events and the need to always remember how such events can and did occur. As staff we were very proud of the way in which our students conducted themselves and used the opportunity to learn and develop their own empathy.



Group outside of Schindler's factory which is now a museum about resistance and occupation in Poland during WW2.



Pupils learning about Jewish culture in Poland at the Galicia Museum.



Academy students paying their respect to Jewish culture by participating in religious gesture of remembrance.



Pupils visiting a street used in the iconic film 'Schindler's list'.

*'This was a trip of a lifetime, I am so glad to have come'*  
**Dali Chadwick**

*'Nothing I have ever learnt could have prepared me for visiting Auschwitz, it has completely changed my perspective on the Holocaust'* – **Beluchi Diugwu**

### The Canterbury Primary School

Part of our aim in the academic pillar is to make sure all potential ability is realised in all areas of the school. With this in mind we will be continuing to roll out our academic enrichment programme for the primary school. This term Stewart Ross, our author in residence, will be working with Years 5 and 6 on their story creation, our next STEM week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) will include the primary school making paper chairs and we will be visiting Canterbury Christ Church University.



### Moving on and up to University

Building on our students' progress with their university destinations we are delighted to report that once again in the sixth form over one hundred students have applied to universities already this year, with a month to go before the closing date. Many students have received excellent offers from a wide variety of institutions over a very expansive range of courses. At this stage we have offers from Oxford for Linguistics, Law at Southampton, Music at BIMM in Brighton and Animal Sciences at Nottingham. Well done to all our applicants for being aspirational and resilient in their studies.

# News and Events Excellence in Sport

## Coming up

### The Canterbury Academy Sports Awards 2019

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February



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### Hockey Launch at The Canterbury Academy

The Canterbury Academy has entered into an exciting partnership with Simon Langton to develop a Sixth Form hockey programme and to develop hockey throughout the school. During their special pillars option lessons on Tuesday afternoons, a group of Year 7 and 8 students have been training at the excellent Polo Farm facilities under the watchful eye of Mr Reeve. Mr Reeve is currently the Head Coach of Herne Bay Hockey Club and is passionate about the development of hockey at The Canterbury Academy over the next few years. "It has been great to see the enthusiasm of our students for hockey and we are working hard to meet the demand for having hockey more embedded into our sports programme. Training at Polo Farm is fantastic for the students and helps them develop their skills quickly."



### Football goes from strength to strength after Jamie Carragher visit

A really successful term for footballers at The Canterbury Academy was enhanced brilliantly by a visit to the school from Liverpool FC legend, Jamie Carragher in November. A dozen Canterbury Academy students and several staff were given the opportunity to listen to Jamie's views on what it takes to become a professional footballer and how challenging elite sport is.

In other football news, Year 11 students Jordan Gillmore and Ronny Nelson, have both been awarded scholarships with Millwall and Gillingham this term. They are two-year scholarships which will commence in July 2019, with the aim being for both students to gain a professional contract for the 2021-22 season.

**Our school football teams** have performed very well with the Year 8 team beating Harvey Grammar School in the county cup. There were also excellent wins for the Year 9 team against Simon Langton Grammar School and the Year 10 team against Rainham Mark Grammar School. At the time of writing, all three sides are still in the county cup.





## Canterbury Primary School Basketball Success

The annual Canterbury Academy Sports Partnership Basketball competition was a closely fought encounter and the final placings had to be decided on goal difference. Congratulations to all of the schools for making the standard exceptionally high. Due to their fantastic team work, The Canterbury Primary School won the event and will now represent Canterbury in the Kent School Games competition next year. The team was made up of the following students: Sam Ogier, Jake Chick, Harry White, Jayden Fruner, Deena Geeves, Molly Martin, Amelia Kersley, Bobby Lillis, Harry Attwood and Georgi Andonov.

## Payten sisters progress in international touch rugby and become part of Sport England Talented Athlete Scheme.

Ayla and Erin Payten continue to excel in national touch rugby and have been part of England's preparations for major events in 2019. Both girls are in the Sixth Form Athletics group run in association with Marathon Sports and benefit from regular strength and conditioning work to develop their physical skills. They have also been part of an excellent initiative run by the sport science team at Canterbury Christ Church University. The Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme is designed to support students excelling in sport and a group of our students have benefitted from workshops on anti-doping and nutrition this term.



## Series of individual successes for Canterbury Academy students



### National Roller Skating Championships

Year 7 student, Amelia Cook placed sixth in a national roller skating event in Kettering this term. She trains three times per week and works with a championship skater to develop her techniques. Amelia goes to club competitions regularly in Medway and she came first at a county event in July.



### Junior Karting Championships at Buckmore Park

Tom Ovenden has been crowned as the winner of the Buckmore Park Junior Club Summer Championship. His brother, Will, came third in his age group. They both started racing motorbikes, but have now been racing karts for a few years. Tom is currently in Year 10 and will soon be racing cars and Will is in Year 8.

### Tennis

Year 8 student, Ulrich Nienaber, has had an excellent six months with his tennis. He has won competitions in events at Woodford Wells and Bromley and has been working with the LTA youth programme run at Bromley and Roehampton.



Ulrich is part of our specialist sports mentor group set up to support students excelling in sport.

### Canterbury Gymnastics Club

Josie Cooper is part of the advanced gymnastic programme run in partnership with Canterbury Gymnastics Club. She has performed really well in a number of events this term and in a competition for The Women's Artistic Squad, Josie once again performed well and was crowned overall Kent Champion for her age group.



# News and Events

## Practical Learning and Enterprise Education

### Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 Careers Fair

On 16<sup>th</sup> October we held our annual Careers Fair which was for our Year 11 and Sixth Form students. There were over thirty providers attending the event, with organisations such as KCC Apprenticeships, Lloyds Bank, Pfizer and University of Kent and Canterbury Christ Church University. Students found the experience very positive and the providers expressed that they had asked some brilliant questions.

### Erasmus Visit



In November we held the first Erasmus School partnership meeting at the Academy. We had twenty one teachers from our partner schools, in Italy, Germany, the Czech Republic and Latvia.

We worked for two days with the sixth form students on a new app that has been designed to work throughout the project

called Action Bound. The students will continue to develop this throughout the two year project.

There will be eight sixth form students that will be visiting Germany on the 10<sup>th</sup> December to participate in filming in a cultural location.

### Designing Christmas Decorations

A selection of The Canterbury Primary School students are currently working at the Academy with staff on projects designing Christmas tree decorations and creating their own book ends. The students will get to present their end projects in an assembly at The Canterbury Primary school.



### Work Experience Information Evening

In November we held the Year 10 Work Experience Information Evening, which was an opportunity to share with parents and students the process involved with work experience for March and April next year. They also received their booklet which gives guidance as to the next steps and how to secure that placement. This was a well-attended event with up to one hundred and seventy parents involved.



### Peter Jones Workshop



The Peter Jones Academy students had a workshop working with Graeme Tidde from the foundation on developing new ideas and working on their business plans to allow them to start preparing their new business ventures. This will then allow them to enter the Entrepreneur of the Year competition.



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## Children's University

Children aged 7-14 from all schools can take part in fun activities on 4 Saturday mornings per term, 9.30am-12pm. Dates are 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Prices are just £20 per term or £10 for Canterbury Academy Trust pupils. Term 3 pupils can choose between art and cooking.

To book or for more information, email [childrensuniversity@canterbury.kent.sch.uk](mailto:childrensuniversity@canterbury.kent.sch.uk)

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# Youth and Community Services

## Youth Team Activities

### CA Youth Club

#### Football Project

Fridays 19:00 - 21:00

Community based inclusive football project, placed in teams as you arrive, no teams allowed.  
For more information contact:  
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for 11 - 19  
year olds

**Duke of Edinburgh  
Wednesdays  
18:00 - 20:00**

## Riverside Youth Club Sessions

### Wednesdays

18:30 - 20:30 Open session  
- general youth club activities,  
pool, football, arts and crafts,  
karaoke etc.

### DETACHED YOUTH SESSIONS

Wednesdays  
Sturry 18:15 - 20:45  
Fridays  
Herne Bay Sea Front  
18:15 - 20:45

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### Thursdays

16:00 - 19:00 CAYV

Youth volunteer group tackling local issues, developing community projects and fund raising events to benefit others.  
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16:00 - 19:00 Bike Project

Open access community project, earn a bike scheme, learn how to fix a bike, qualification in bicycle mechanics.

For more information contact:  
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18:30 - 20:30 Inclusive Us

Working with SNAAP to provide youth club sessions for young people with additional needs supported by youth volunteers.

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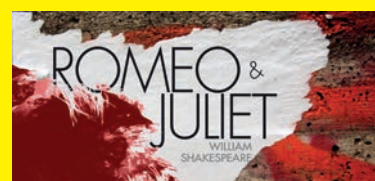
## Academy pupils to perform at The Marlowe Theatre

A cast of pupils from The Canterbury Academy will perform with ten other Kent schools in a joint production of 'Romeo & Juliet' at The Marlowe Theatre. The Canterbury Academy leads a partnership with these schools, the Royal Shakespeare Company and The Marlowe to engage pupils in positive experiences of Shakespeare.

Tickets are on sale in January from The Marlowe box office.

*Romeo & Juliet: Sweet Sorrow*

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 7pm



## The Canterbury Academy hosts a production by The Royal Shakespeare Company

The Canterbury Academy leads a local partnership with The Royal Shakespeare Company and the Marlowe Theatre.

As part of this partnership we were proud to host a visiting production of The Comedy of Errors by the RSC. Pupils from our Junior Institute for Performing Arts performed alongside the cast and a year 8 pupil designed an element of the set. Year 8 pupils watched and loved the matinee performance, whilst an audience of our local community roared with laughter through the evening show. One parent commented "Shakespeare is not normally my thing but that was amazing!" Another said "I didn't know the play but I could understand everything that was happening – wonderful storytelling."



# News and Events Excellence in Performing Arts



## Dance Success: Maizy Theze, World Champion!

Over the past few years, we as a school have grown accustomed to seeing the name Maizy Theze (Year 11) in our Performing Arts celebrations, but this time is different: we are now in the presence of a World Champion!

During the week of 22<sup>nd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October, Maizy attended the IDO World Hip Hop Championships, following her success in June with becoming the UK Hip Hop Champion. Also in June, Maizy qualified for all of the eight events she entered – and was the only junior in the UK team to do so.

At the World Championships in October, Ms Theze fended off competition from around the globe, winning the title of 'IDO Hip Hop Solo World Champion'. Yes, that's right – best in the world!

After many years of hard work, talent and dedication Maizy has finally reached the highest goal she has aspired to achieve. On many occasions she has been close, formerly winning titles such as 'Battle Solo European Champion', 'Team World Champion', '2 x Solo Vice World Champion' and 'Solo Vice European Champion'.

To arrange a professional discussion and/or visit please contact:

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## Acting Success at The Canterbury Festival

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November, the Year 13 students from the CPA Acting Programme performed the play 'Traveller' at The Canterbury Festival as part of their remit as winners of the 2018 'Made In Kent' award at the Festival.

The performance was nearly sold out – practically unheard of for a Canterbury Festival performance which included no adult, 'professional' performers – and the audience feedback was tremendous indeed. Online comments, passed on from Festival organisers, included the following:

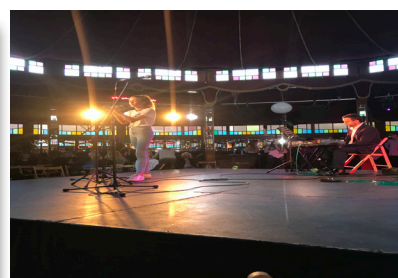
- "Great Story. Promising Young Actors. Well produced and staged. Congratulations to all involved."
- "Loved it, Well done. What a talented bunch. So glad the festival promotes young talent."

- "Loved the show, totally touching and funny at the same time. These five guys are amazing!!!! Oh well, four guys and a future Oscar Award. Loved it!!!"



## Music Success at The Speigeltent

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November our music and musical theatre students gave their annual lunchtime concert as part of The Canterbury Festival. They represented our school wonderfully well to a large public audience and performed many different styles of music from classical to rock. As well as a large number of sixth formers from our elite programmes, three pupils from the academy performed. A huge congratulations to Sophie Cullen, Adelaide Thorpe and CJ Geeves.



## Solo Vocal Success: Jorja Rutherford

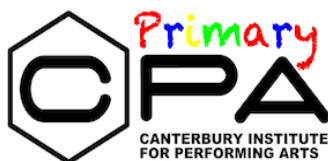
Over half term, Jorja Rutherford (Y12 Musical Theatre) single-handedly won The Canterbury Festival's Track Record competition with her solo vocal performance!

This prestigious honour – usually reserved for bands or groups - means that Jorja will be invited into a professional studio to record her own album, helping this talented young lady achieve even bigger and brighter things



## PIPA Showcased At Christmas Cabaret 2018!

(The Primary Institute for Performing Arts)



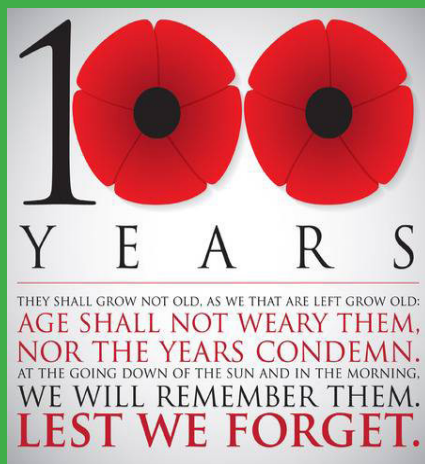
This year's hand-selected cohort of talented young performers from The Canterbury Primary School ended their year with a bang by performing in our annual Christmas Cabaret.

The Primary Institute for Performing Arts (PIPA) trains our most promising young stars in weekly, free after-school sessions covering singing, acting, dance and music.

We can't wait to see what they come up with for their next onstage event, the Sports Awards 2019!



# 100 Years Remember WW1



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# Lest we forget



The City and Coastal students spent large parts of the week creating a display for a public area of the building, to show that they were supporting remembrance.

A ceremony took place in the heart of the school, which comprised of:

- A wreath being laid
- Poppy seeds being sown
- 'The Last Post' being played by trumpet
- A two-minute silence



All divisions across The Canterbury Academy Trust paid their respects to those who gave their lives during the First World War.

Years 5 and 6 from The Canterbury Primary School visited Canterbury Cathedral on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Whilst there, they laid a wreath, read a war poem and also held a minute's silence.

The students also visited The War Horse in the Cathedral Precinct.



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Our School Lottery costs the school nothing and everyone who buys a ticket is in with a chance of winning a weekly cash prize, which currently stands at £46 but increases as tickets are purchased. Each ticket you buy also gives you an entry to a national cash prize of £25,000!

Get involved here:

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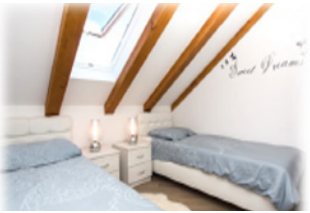
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This will initially run as a trial for a limited number of places, so please call us for eligibility criteria, to arrange a tour of our settings or book your place.

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